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In re the Application of

Donald R. OWEN et al.

Application No.: 09/537,180

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING AND/OR RESTORING VIABILITY OF ORGANS



Group Art Unit: 3762

Docket No.: WPB 40219A

**SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired August 5, 2000, an extension of time for a period of four months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 114360 in the amount of \$695.00 in payment for:

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